Boston, Feb. 7, 1856.

Thursday evening, 7 o'clock.

My Dear Friend:

I have just received a telegraphic despatch from Andrew J. Buckland, of Buffalo, wishing me to postpone my Lyceum lecture in that city from Wednesday to Friday evening next, if I can do so. As it is to be my first appearance in Buffalo, and before a Lyceum, I am anxious to accommodate them; and shall therefore venture to telegraph them in the morning, that I will be in Buffalo on the evening last designated by them. If, therefore, you have made an appointment for me at Auburn, ~~or~~ at any other place, on Friday evening, please either cancel it, or substitute Wednesday for Friday, (if this can be done seasonably,) or defer the meeting till the subsequent Monday evening.

The travelling is so uncertain, that it may be impracticable to hold meetings consecutive ~~meetings~~ evenings, at long distances; but I hope, by next week, the obstructions will be generally removed.

I will arrange with Lydia Mott about a meeting at Troy, on my return home.

I suppose I can get from Buffalo to Skaneateles on Saturday, in season for an evening meeting — though it might be more safe to appoint it for Sunday evening.

Yours, in haste, and with brotherly love,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison.

(over.)

P. S. I leave to-morrow for Albany. Could you depute some one to meet me at the depot in Syracuse, as I pass through, on Monday, and let me know whether Wednesday will be substituted for Friday at Auburn?

On a second consideration, I think no attempt had better be made for me to speak any where on Wednesday, under the circumstances. If, therefore, you have made an appointment for me any where on Friday evening, and can substitute the subsequent Monday evening, therefor, it will meet my convenience.

I understand that you expect me to lecture in Syracuse on Thursday evening. If Wednesday evening would prove to be as convenient, perhaps the change had better be made, so that I can get to Buffalo on Thursday. But, if not, doubtless I can reach there seasonably on Friday, unless some great snow-storm interpose.

Syracuse Saturday
5 P.M. Feb. 9

Dear Friend —

When I suposed the arrangement way all made for Mr Garrison — to / the Progress comes to hand and knocks me all into Jude —

I now think you had better have him at Skaneateles on Sunday evening the 10th —

Then he will come to Auburn on Saturday — and to Skaneateles on Sunday —

But if you decidedly prefer to have him on Saturday evening & make that arrangement for me — Let me hear immediately

Yours truly
S J May —

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Wm Lloyd Garrison
Dft Mercy

Rev. Samuel J. May
Syracuse
N.Y.

Mr Garrison never in his life said a word against the true Church, against Christ or religion. If you wish him to say nothing against the Churches & Ministers of our country you must not ask him to shut his mouth for such a request